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Conway Area Leadership Institute

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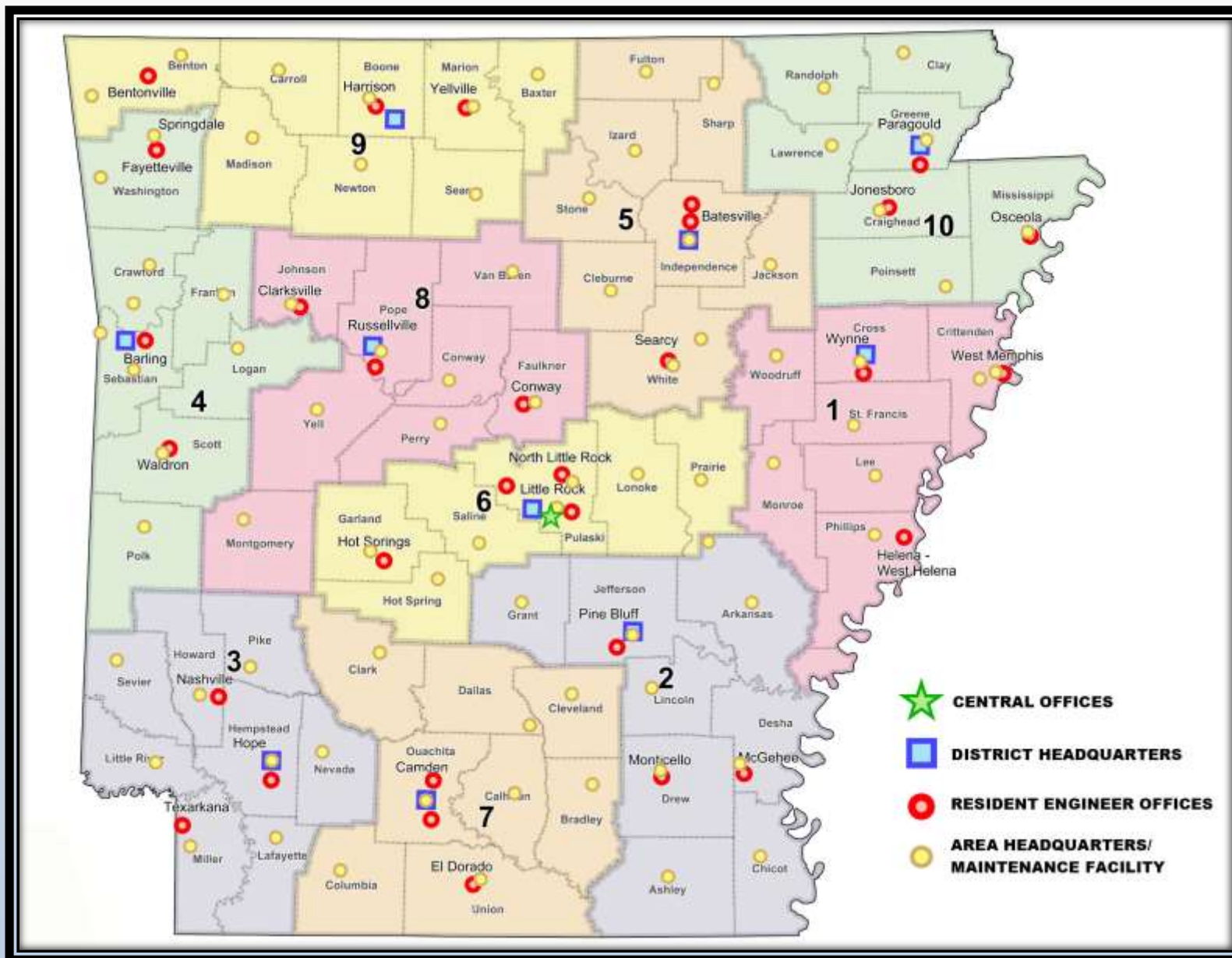
3rd Largest State Agency
(approx. 3,700 Employees)

Maintains
16,418 miles of Highway
7,335 Bridges

Central Offices in Little Rock

10 Districts Statewide

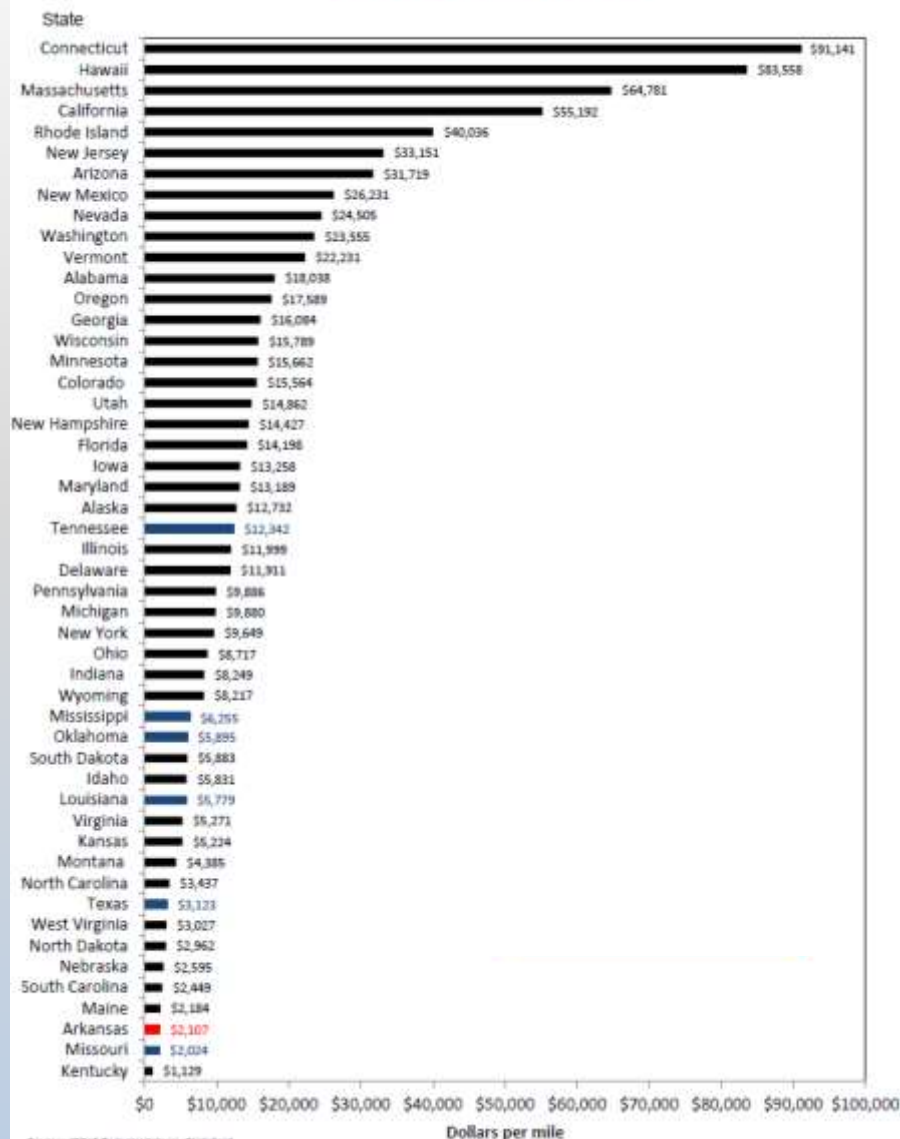
Highway Districts



***Provide safe and efficient
transportation solutions to support
Arkansas' economy and enhance the
quality of life for generations to come.***

Administrative Cost Per Mile

Arkansas Ranks 48th in the Nation



Arkansas = \$2,107

Surrounding States Average = \$4,334

National Average = \$9,224

Arkansas has the
3rd Lowest
Administrative Cost Per
Mile
in the Nation

Employment Levels Efficiency

Year
1979  **4,200**
Employees

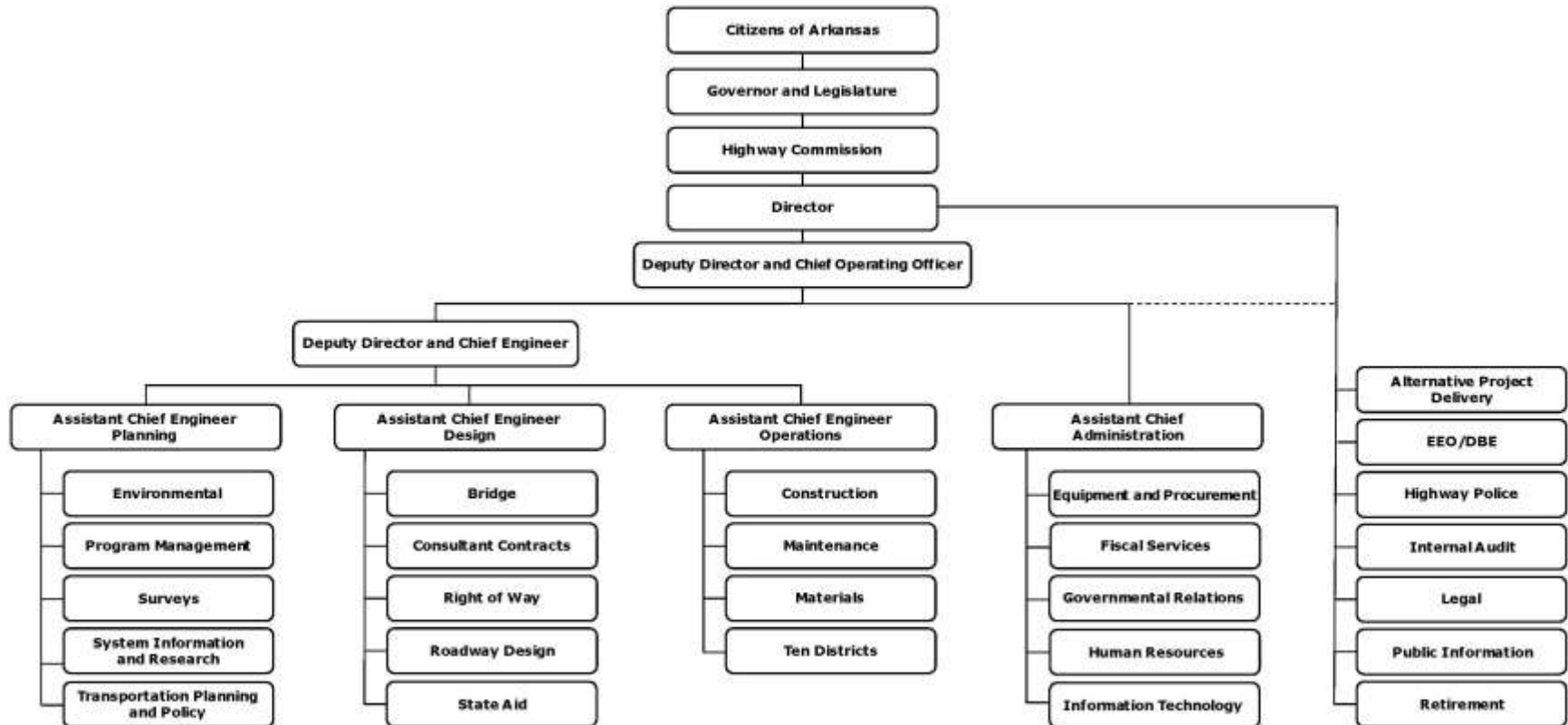
2000  **3,800**
Employees

2020  **3,715**
Employees



Organization Chart

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION CHART



Terrie H. Tucker
Director

March 21, 2020

Date

History



“We are always yapping about the ‘Good Old Days’ and how we look away back and enjoy it, but I tell you there is a lot of hooley to it.”

– Will Rogers



The Teens

- ***First Commission Created***
 - ✓ ***No Hwy. Department***
 - ✓ ***No Hwy. System***
- ***3,600 Vehicles - \$72,000 Total Budget***
- ***36,000 Miles of Public Roads***

Highway 71 near Bella Vista



- **1951 - Highway Audit Commission Report**

✓ *“the advice, counsel and expert know-how which is available from the Department’s own technical and administrative staffs bear scant weight indeed when they are in conflict with the political pressures and political promises of the moment.”*

- **9 Legislative Acts Restructured Commission since 1913**
- **1952 – Mack Blackwell Amendment**

Widening Hwy 67 near
Malvern, 1956





Philip Taldo

Alec Farmer
Vice-Chairman

Marie Holder

Robert Moore
Chairman

Keith Gibson



Issue 1

Proposed Constitutional Amendment
November 3, 2020 General Election

What Will Issue 1 Do?

- 0.5% Sales Tax Permanent
- Highways, Roads and Bridges
- Not on Food, Motor Fuels, Prescription Meds
- 70% (\$206 Million) State Highways
- 15% (\$44 Million) County Transportation
- 15% (\$44 Million) City Transportation

Every Arkansan Will Benefit!

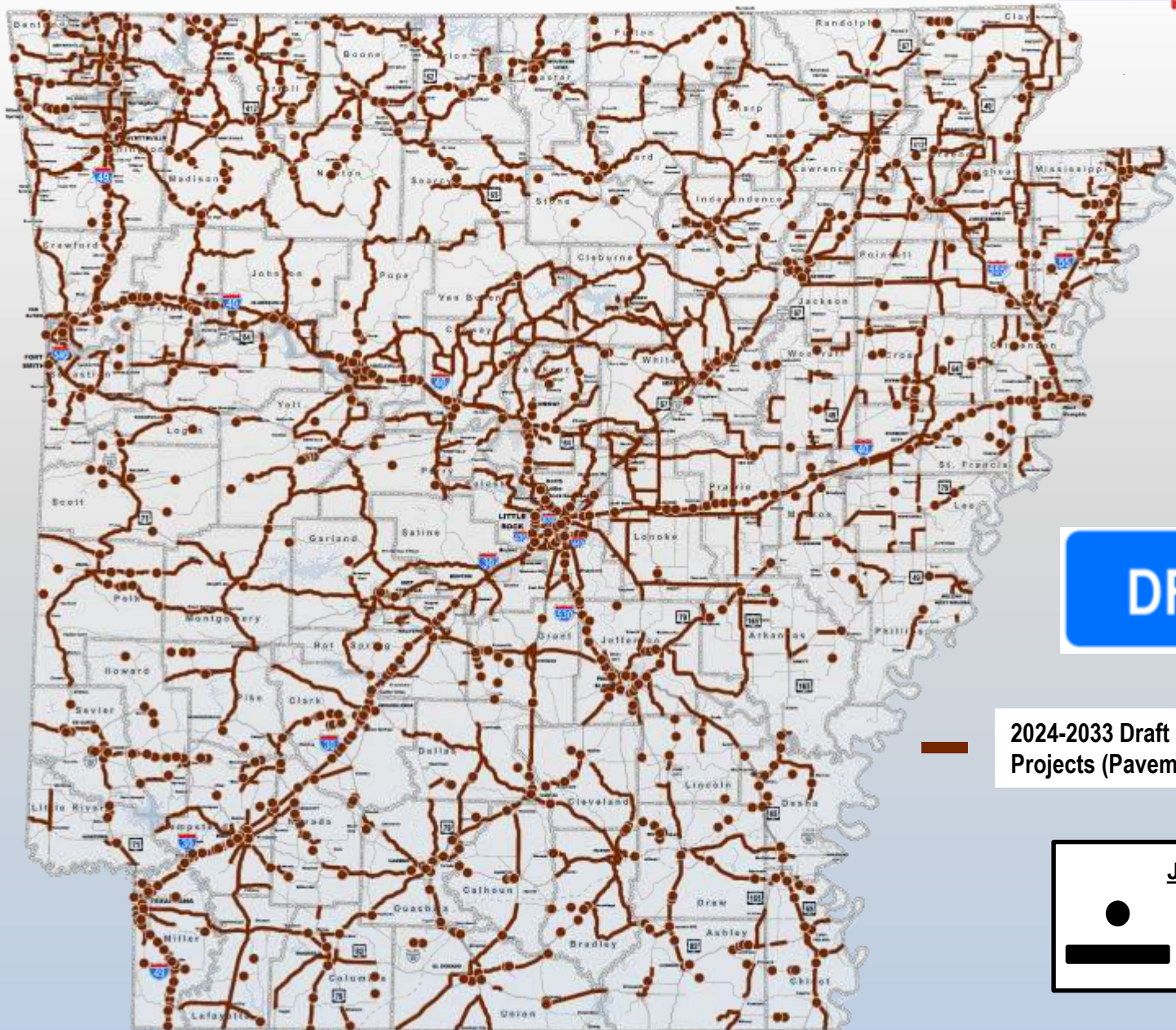
Renew Arkansas Highways

10-Year Program

Pavement Preservation	\$3.0 Billion
Bridge Improvements and Preservation	\$1.1 Billion
Interstate Maintenance	\$1.0 Billion
Capital and Congestion Relief (CAP-2)	\$1.8 Billion
Safety Improvements	\$0.5 Billion

Total	\$7.4 Billion
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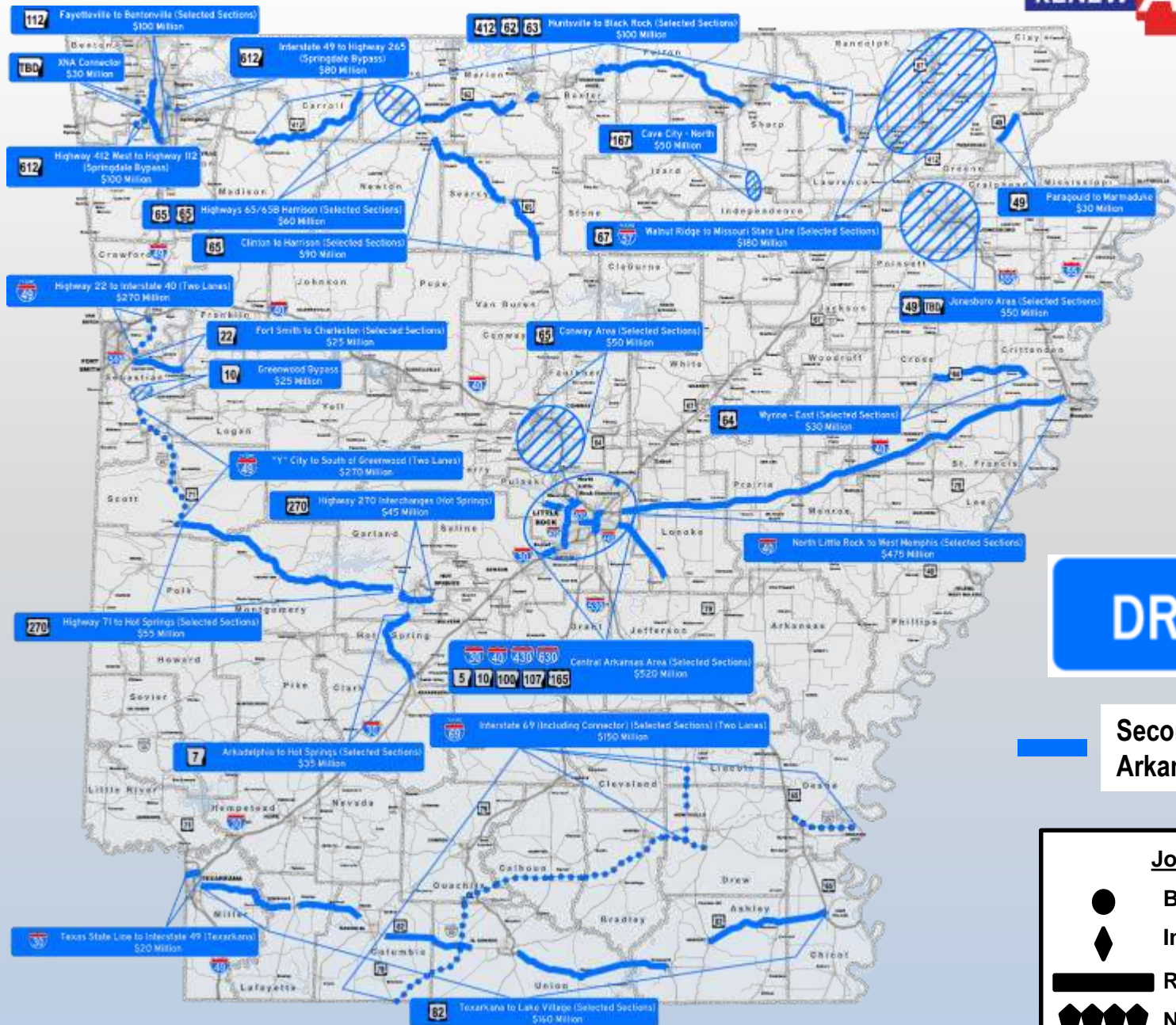


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2024-2033 Draft Program of Preservation Projects (Pavement & Bridges)

Job Type	
●	Bridge
—	Roadway

Second Connecting Arkansas Program



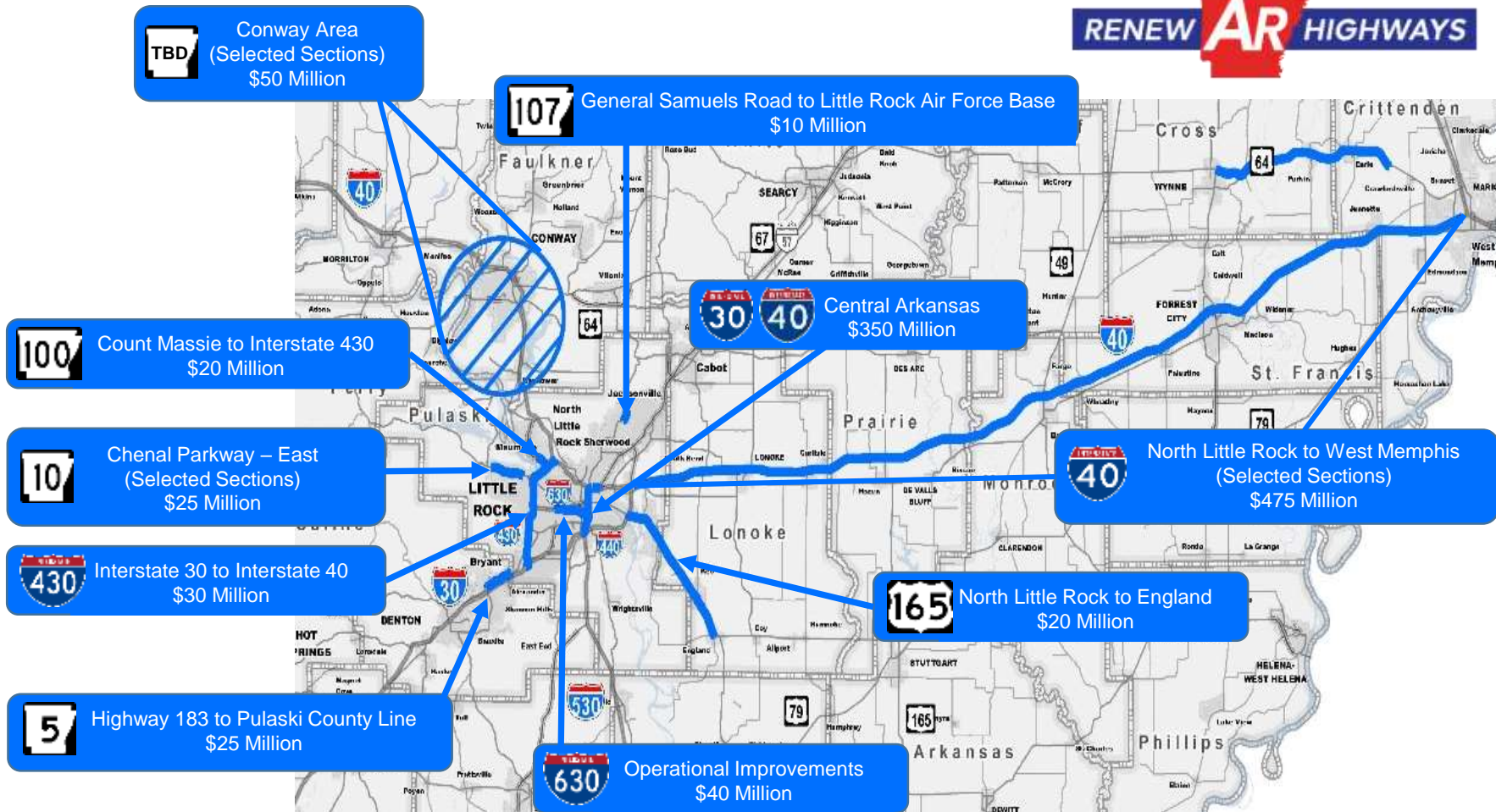
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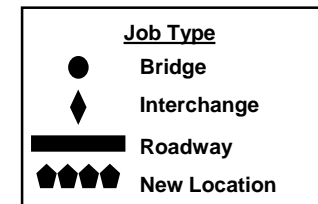
- Bridge
- ◆ Interchange
- ▬ Roadway
- ◆◆◆◆ New Location

Second Connecting Arkansas Program

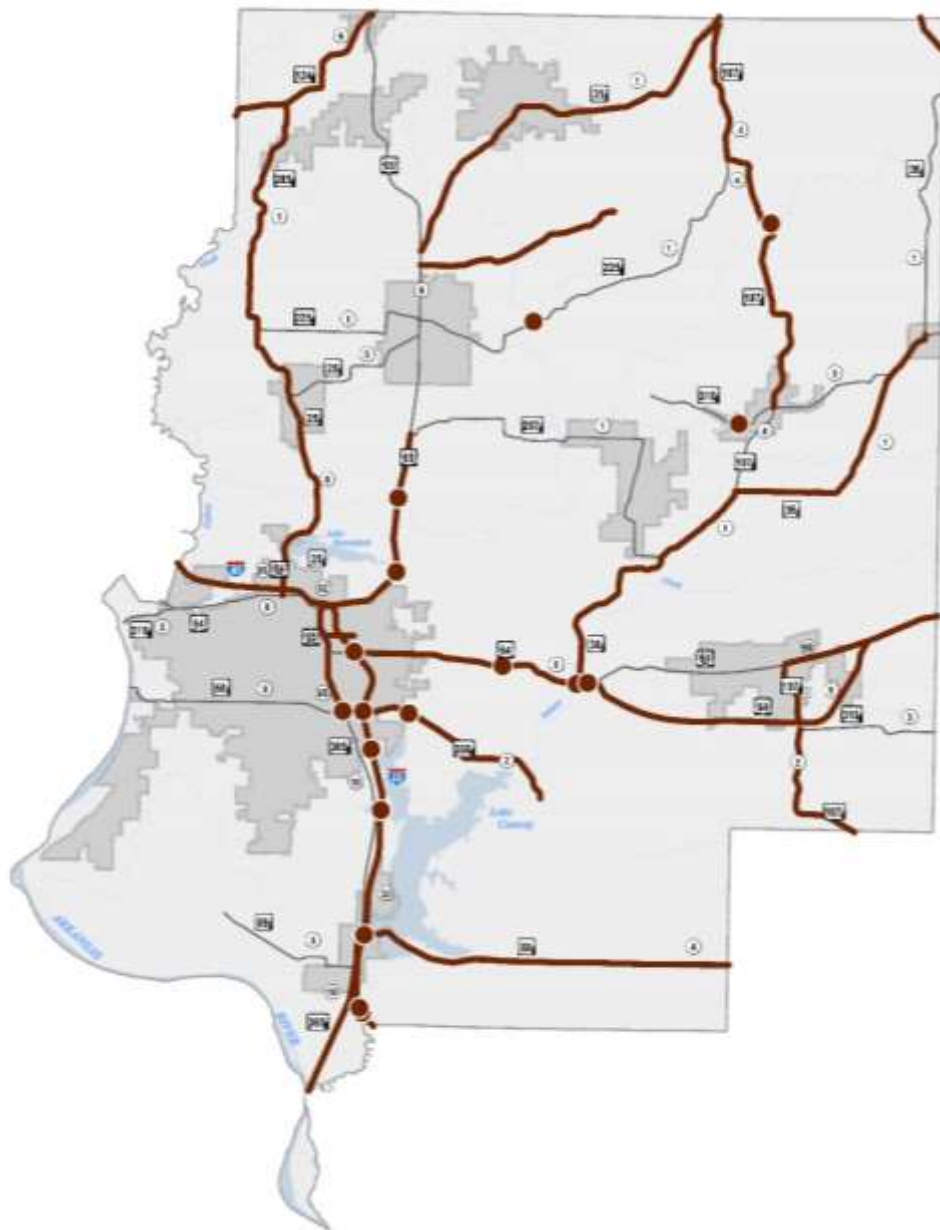


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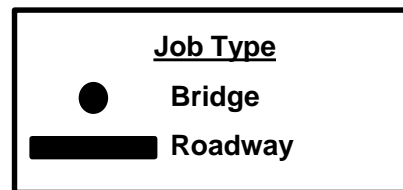


Faulkner County Pavement & Bridge Preservation Projects



47 Projects
153 Miles
27 Bridges
\$121 Million

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 2024-2033 Draft Program of
Preservation Projects (Pavement & Bridges)



Conway Area Projects



HIGHWAY 65

Conway to Missouri

Completed

Number of Projects:	36
Miles:	121
Amount (Millions):	\$305

Under Construction

Number of Projects:	2
Miles:	8
Amount (Millions):	\$40

Scheduled

Number of Projects:	2
Miles:	7
Amount (Millions):	Est. \$30-50



Dave Ward Dr. (Highways 60 & 65B)

Completed

Interchanges: 9
Amount (Millions): \$0.5

Scheduled

Number of Projects: 2
Miles: 1
Amount (Millions): Est \$3-5



Harkrider Dr. and Old Morrilton Hwy. (Highways 64 & 65B)

Scheduled

Number of Projects:	2
Miles:	1
Amount (Millions):	Est \$2-5



- Widening (Potential Partnering w/ City)
- Upgrading Traffic Signals
- Roundabout for Hwy 64/Hogan Ln.

Skyline Dr. (Highways 65 & 65B)

- Connecting Signals for Coordination
- \$5.6 Million
- Est. Complete Late 2021



East Conway

(Connection Study)



Mayflower

- Highway 89
- Union Pacific Railroad Overpass
- Realignment

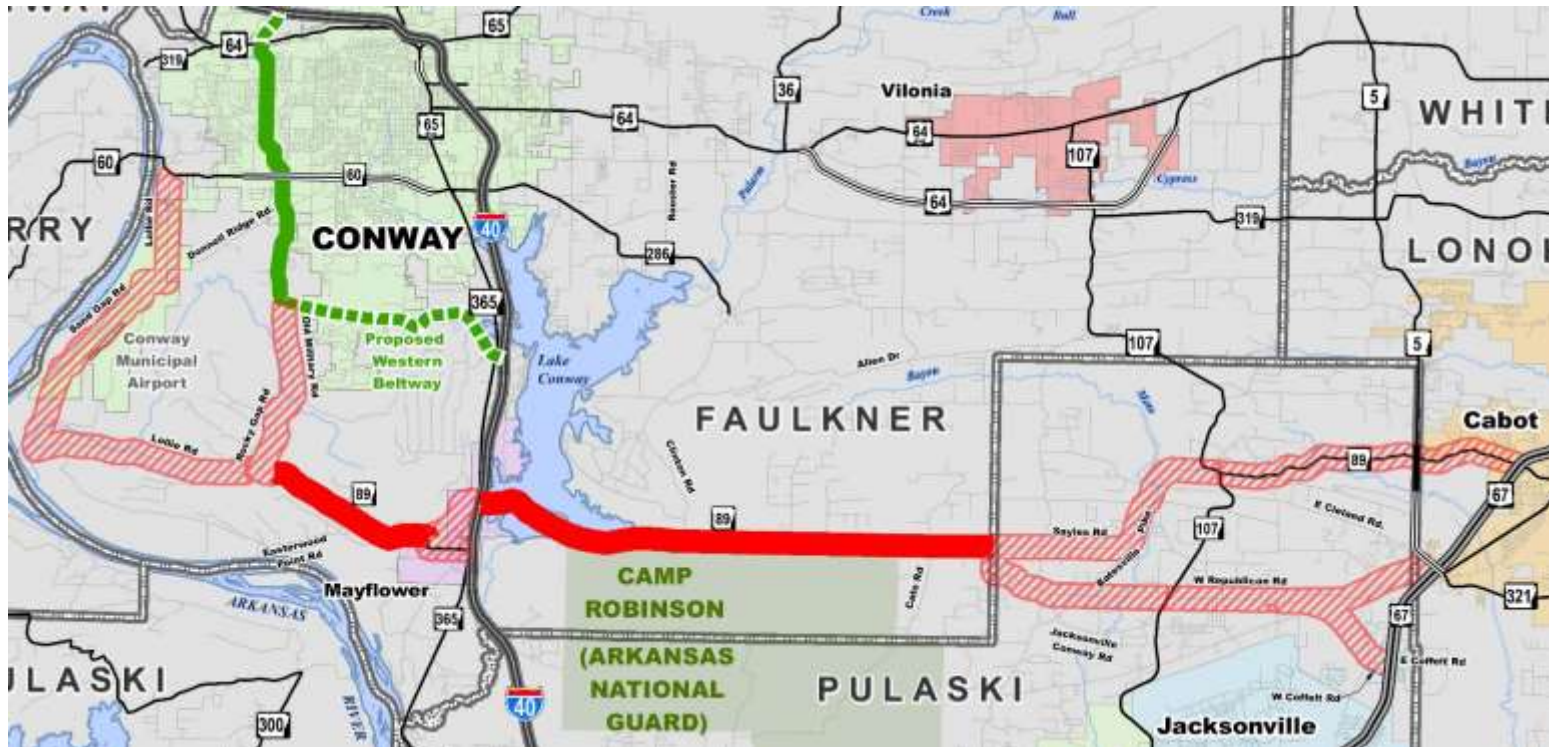


Under Construction

Miles:	2
Amount (Millions):	\$26

Highway 89 Study

- Looking for Direct East-West Connection
- Partnering with Metroplan





Questions?

If Issue 1 Fails

Faulkner County

2023 – \$3.8 Million

2024 – \$2.7 Million

Loss of Funding – \$1,100,000 Per Year

City of Conway

2023 – \$4.7 Million

2024 – \$3.3 Million

Loss of Funding – \$1,400,000 Per Year